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# RECOVERY SUPPORTS PROGRAM (RSP) PROVIDER ALERT

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**SUBJECT: Program Updates** 

### **Web-based Application**

In an effort to create a more efficient process for providers and service recipients to apply for the RSP, Advanced Behavioral Health (ABH®) is creating a web-based application. Behavioral health and supported recovery housing providers will be able to submit applications for recovery support services and review the outcomes directly from their computers.

- The web-based application will be available beginning October 1, 2010.
- ABH® will be scheduling provider trainings between October 1<sup>st</sup> and November 30, 2010.
- ABH® will accept paper applications via fax submission until November 30, 2010
- Effective December 1, 2010 all applications must be submitted through the webbased application.

Providers may register for the training by clicking on the link below: <a href="http://www.abhct.com/SessionSummary.asp">http://www.abhct.com/SessionSummary.asp</a> or by calling the RSP customer service center at 1 (800) 658-4472.

### **Transportation – Bus Passes**

Service recipients previously eligible for bus passes via the Recovery Supports Program are now eligible for non-emergency medical transportation from Medicaid for Low Income Adults (LIA). Medicaid LIA provides transportation (livery and bus passes) to help service recipients connect to Medicaid covered services. Service recipients should contact Coordinated Transportation Solutions at 1-877-423-6794 to arrange transportation services.

Columbus House Road to Recovery will continue to provide RSP transportation to behavioral health treatment services not covered by Medicaid LIA.

### **Basic Needs Vouchers**

Effective November 1, 2010, RSP will no longer be issuing basic needs vouchers, and instead, will be issuing gift cards for basic needs such as clothing and personal care items. Based on this change, DMHAS will be reviewing current voucher allotment amounts and adjusting accordingly. Once updated, this information will be available at <a href="https://www.abhct.com">www.abhct.com</a>.

Please contact ABH® customer service with any questions at 1-800-658-4472.